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COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Regular Meeting Minutes
September 16, 2022
10:00 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Commission President Jackie Filla called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. along with Vice President Vicki Curry and Commissioners Marla Messing, Dora Quach and Myesha Ward in attendance. Commissioner Nancy Rubin joined the meeting at 10:13 a.m. Commissioner Erma Bernard-Gibson joined the meeting at 10:20 a.m. Commissioner Quach left the meeting at 10:28 a.m. Commissioner Vicki Curry was absent.

Commissioner was absent.

Also in attendance were Capri Maddox, General Manager; Claudia Luna, Assistant General Manager; Nicole Bryant, Chief Operating Officer; Barak Vaughn, Deputy City Attorney; Francisco Ortega, Senior Project Coordinator; Sheldon Cruz, Senior Human Relations Advocate; and James K. Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II.

A quorum was established and the meeting proceeded.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

The public comment period was opened. There were no speakers to address the Commission. Therefore, public comment was closed.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The review and approval of the Minutes of the August 12, 2022 and September 9, 2022 Meetings.

Commissioner Quach made a motion to approve the Minutes of the August 12, 2022 and September 9, 2022 Commission Meetings. Commissioner Ward seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Quach
Seconded: Ward
Ayes: Filla, Messing
Absent: Curry, Bernard-Gibson, Rubin

Vote: 4 – 0

The motion passed.

4. Reconsideration and Determination to Continue Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361:

FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO AB361

The reconsideration and determination to continue to hold the Commission on the Status of Women meetings teleconference pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 (AB-361) was discussed by the Commission.

Commissioner Messing made a motion to continue holding Commission meetings via teleconference. Commissioner Ward seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Messing
Seconded: Ward
Ayes: Filla, Quach
Absent: Curry, Bernard-Gibson, Rubin

Vote: 4 - 0

The motion passed.

Commission President Filla called item number six out of order.

6. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

Commissioner Ward shared an update on the Pioneer Women Ad hoc Committee update.

Commissioner Filla presented the Pioneer Women Plan of Action.

Discussion and motion to approve a letter to all City Council Members to schedule in-person meetings to discuss CSW Strategic Priorities and seek funding for commission initiatives and programming.

Commissioner Ward made a motion to approve a City Council letter to schedule in-person meetings and Commission on the Status of Women Trust Fund requests as stated on the record. Commissioner Rubin seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Ward
Seconded: Rubin
Ayes: Filla, Messing, Quach
Absent: Curry, Bernard-Gibson

Vote: 5 - 0

The motion passed.

Motion to have the Commission on the Status of Women allow the Working Dreams 501 (C)(3) nonprofit organization the use of the LACSW Logo to promote two events to benefit foster youth in LA County and the City of Los Angeles. The events are a Holiday Toy Giveaway in December and a Prom Dress event that outfits young women in the Foster Care System.

Commissioner Erma Bernard-Gibson joined the meeting at 10:20 a.m. to present the Working Dreams holiday drive to benefit children.

Commissioner Filla made a motion to allow the Working Dreams 501 (C)(3) nonprofit organization to use the Commission on the Status of Women Logo to promote the two events. Commissioner Bernard-Gibson seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Filla
Seconded: Bernard-Gibson
Ayes: Messing, Quach, Rubin, Ward
Absent: Curry

Vote: 6 - 0

The motion passed.

5. DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

Capri Maddox, General Manager shared the department update. She presented the LA Civil Rights Overview Deck for September 2022. This presentation can be viewed at civilandhumanrights.lacity.org. Some of the highlights include Latino Heritage Month celebrations; The LA Civil Rights Volunteer Corp.; the LA Repair Participatory Budget; LA for All Day, LA for All Week; and two-million dollars for the opening of several Peace and Healing Centers.

GM Maddox introduced Interns from the USC Agents of Change program Valerie Kuo, Leyla Lopez, Quynh Anh Nguyen, and Halle Schaffer.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were no announcements from the Commissioners.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Seeing no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

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